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Daniel P. Sanders et al.) Before the Examiner
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SYSTEM FOR KNOWLEDGE)
TRANSFER IN A GROUP SETTING)

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

Applicants understand the Examiner's comments regarding certain distinctions over Katsurabayashi and Mattaway to apply to claims 5, 75 and 84. Specifically, Applicants refer to the Examiner's comments regarding transmission of an object when the object is complete. In addition, Applicants wish to clarify for the record that, as discussed with the Examiner on November 20, 2006, claims 5, 75 and 84 recite that the moderator (or teacher) workstation is adapted to transmit an object drawn by the moderator (or teacher) when the object is complete, in a client/server network or method having the limitations recited in the respective claims.

Applicants do not acquiesce in the Examiner's characterizations of what the prior art teaches.

Applicants also note for the record that claims 68, 95 and 96 do not have the above-mentioned limitation regarding transmission of an object when the object is complete, but do relate to client/server networks or methods with collision avoidance, as discussed with the Examiner on November 20, 2006, and that the Examiner considered those claims allowable as amended.

Respectfully submitted,



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